

Searching for evidence

Workshop over 2 weeks

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Help?



How did you achieve this?

- Search engine
- Combined multiple search terms

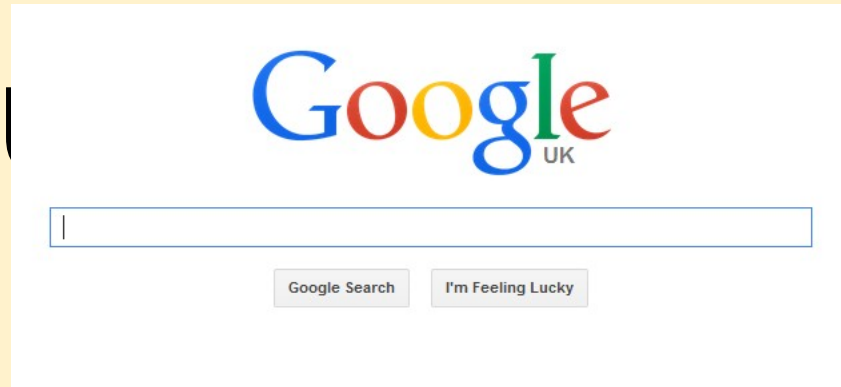
Classic resolutions to information overload

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- “**Push**” - alerts us to new information
 - “Just in Case” knowledge
- “**Pull**” – access information when needed
 - “Just in Time” knowledge
 - Use whenever questions arise

For EBP

Why not j



My answer

- Takes too long (!)
- Doesn't access best current evidence (because that costs money rather than makes money)
- Influenced by commercial and political biases (was your first hit M'donna?)

Popping the PICCO question Why and What?

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Popping the PICO question

Patient, population, or problem

Intervention or independent variable;

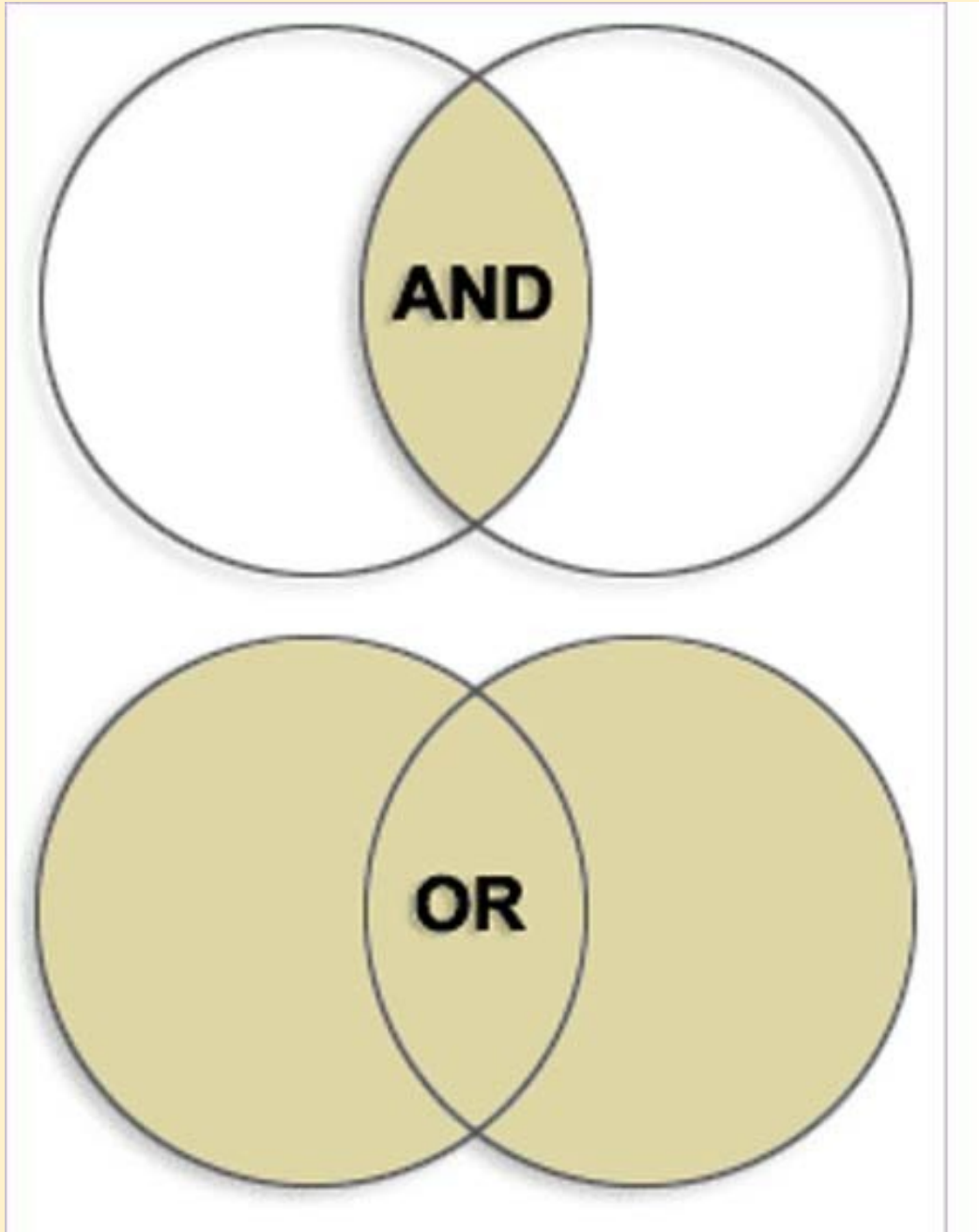
Comparison

Outcome(s) of interest

Stone, PS. (2001) Popping the (PICO) question in research and evidence-based practice
Applied Nursing Research 15(3), pp 197-198,

Boolean or Logical Operators

Which was Google using?



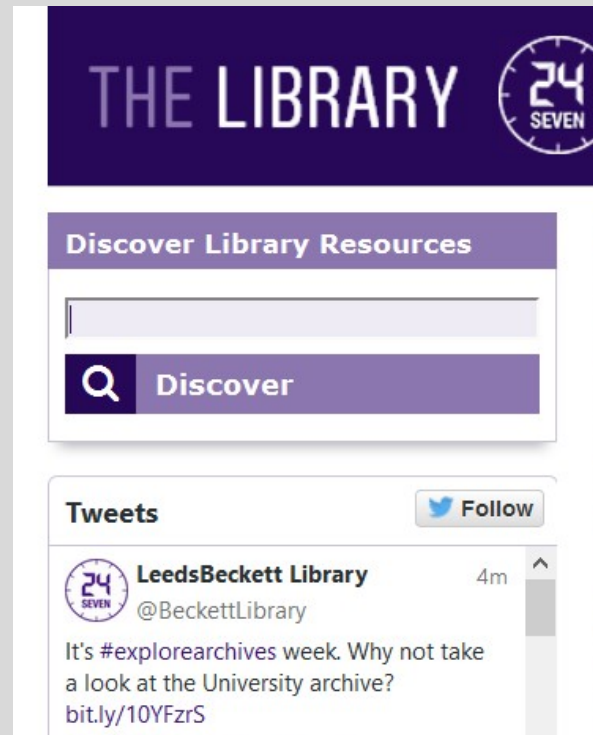
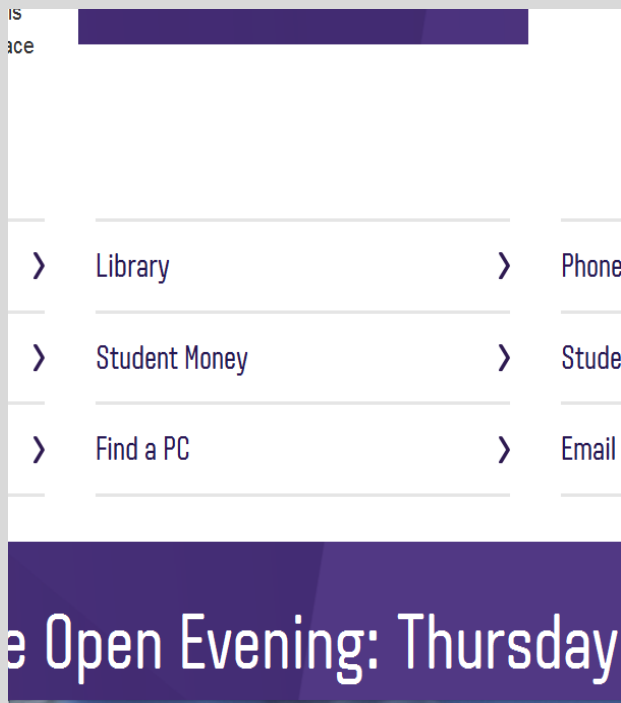
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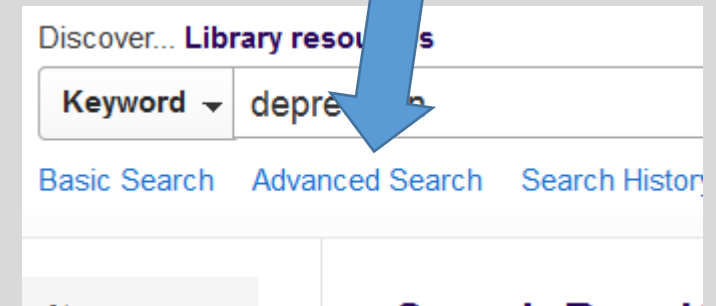


Do 2 searches

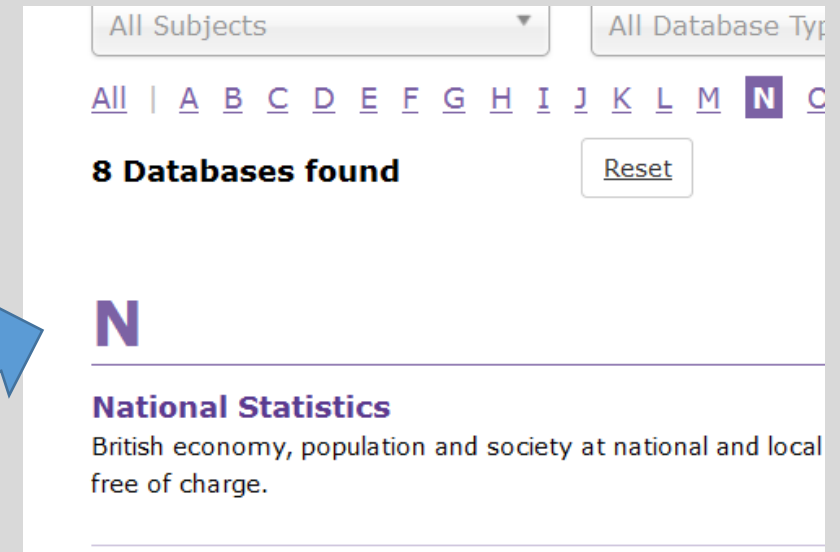
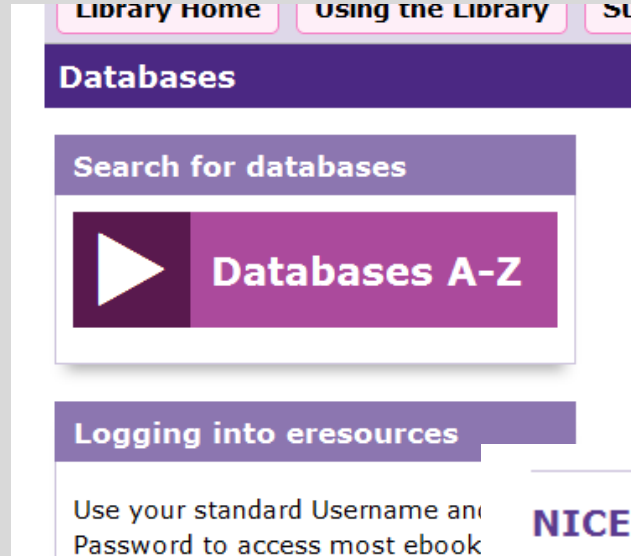
1. Discover - on library Home page



1. Type anything in
2. THEN press DISCOVER
3. THEN press ADVANCED SEARCH



Search 2 NICE to get to NICE



NICE Evidence Search journals and Databases

NICE Evidence Services are a suite of services that provide internet access to high quality and best practice. The services cover health, social care and public health evidence. (formerly National Library for Health).

Note: This site has some freely available resources but you will need an NHS OpenAthens user to be able to login to the full service.)

Nucleic Acids Abstracts

Information database on innovative cloning and sequencing strategies, gene regulatory sequences